

THE MESSENGER

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We welcome you to come ...

Worship With Us!

Sundays: 10:00 am

(Holy Communion every Sunday)

MARTIN LUTHER CHURCH CHOIR –

Will take a break for the summer. We will resume on Rally Day, September 9th, 2018. If you have not joined yet, please consider being part of this ministry. We would love to have you sing with us! Let us sing praises to our Lord.

TUESDAY BIBLE BUNCH

Have you ever really read the weekly Sunday lessons? Have you ever given them a second thought and how they relate to your everyday daily life? Have you talked about them with other people of faith? Why not start this Tuesday morning at 9:30 am? Come join us in Pastor's office. Bring a Bible and a willingness to talk. We'll have a great time. On the 1st Tuesday of the month we lead worship at Montclare Senior Residence at 10:00 am behind Shriners' Hospital on Oak Park Avenue. This month we will have worship on June 5th. Join us!

MLLC–



Will meet on Sunday, June 17th. Thank You.



WORSHIP ASSISTANCE NEEDED

We are looking for people to sign up to read the lessons, ushers, bread providers, greeters, and more, during Worship. Please consider signing up for a Sunday or two. All readings are sent to you ahead of time to familiarize you with the text. You will find the sign up sheet on the narthex bulletin board. Thank You.



SUNDAY SCHOOL IS ON A BREAK

Sunday School will take a break for the summer. We look forward to another exciting year beginning in the fall. We welcome children to be part of our Sunday School at Martin Luther. We have children participating from 2 ½ years old to 6th grade. We want your child to be part of this wonderful ministry. Until then we'll see you Sunday during worship, and on September 9th for Rally Day when Sunday School return! Feel free to call the church office for any further information.

W/ELCA MEETING –June

Join the women of Martin Luther on June 13th at noon. Pastor Joanne will be the hostess for this month. Everyone is invited to join us – men included. This is our last meeting until September 19th. Come check us out!

Bread Making – Beware of the Yeast

Do you like to bake? Like learning new recipes? How about coming and joining others as we learn to make yeast breads. We'll teach you everything you need to know and then some. And it will be fun too! All ages – everyone is welcome! So join us on Saturday, June 2nd at 10:00 am as we make Dill Bread with Quark Cheese and be surprised how tasty it is!

W/ELCA BAKE SALE – will be on Sunday, June 3rd before and after worship. They are looking for all of you bakers to assist them. If you would like to bring some baked goodies, bring them to church on Sunday, wrapped and priced please. Thank You.

JUNE Birthdays:

- 03 June Lyons
- 04 Beverly Velazquez
- 06 Loree Azzaretto
- 07 Pastor Joanne, Gail DuPlessis
- 15 John Blaul
- 24 Katie Pfursich
- 30 Cecelia Feddersen, Heidi Rivera



JUNE BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

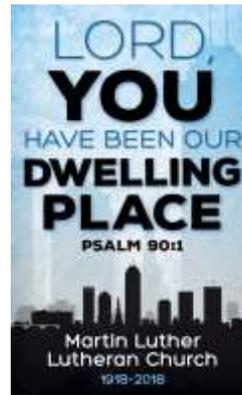
- 05 Susan Devlin
- 12 Samantha & Kaylee Morales
- 29 John Blaul, June Lyons

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Do you know of someone who is of Confirmation age, that is 7th grade and older who has not made the Affirmation of Baptism? These classes require a 2 year commitment from the parents and students alike. There are 30 worship reports (so attendance in worship is necessary). We study Scripture and Luther's Small Catechism. We have fun in learning and conversing. Why not come and join us? Classes will resume on Saturday, September ?? at 10:00 am. See you soon. Everyone is welcome – why not bring a friend!

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

We will continue our study of "Honoring Our Neighbor's Faith with Unitarian Universalists on June 10th, and Islam on June 24th. Grab a treat and cup of Joe and join Pastor Joanne at the tables in the undercroft. We have great conversations and even learn something. See you there!



CENTENNIAL "HOMECOMING CELEBRATED ON PENTECOST

It was a great day! The sanctuary was decorated with red – red paraments, banner, flowers, and vestments. The choir was in full voice, augmented by a few "ringers" and supported by a French

horn. The nave was as full as we usually see in a "month of Sundays." The chancel glistened with freshly polished silver and brass. Bishop Miller, in his sermon asked us to consider why we would want to "bake a cake, sing a song, or throw a party" when our birthings thrust us into new challenges and new risks. But then, drawing upon the Pentecost story the Bishop assured us that the One who calls us into new birth is the One who empowers and leads us there.

The festive Service of Holy Communion was followed by a bountiful catered dinner in Luther Hall. There was opportunity to toast 100 years of ministry, to view the display of historical artifacts, and to catch up with people who returned to Martin Luther to celebrate this milestone.

Thanks to Karen Bucaro, Pastor Fitzgerald, David Hildner, Lisa Neubert, John Schumacher, and Jan Vlcek who planned this event and have been coordinating events throughout the anniversary year. And thanks to all the other members of Martin Luther Church who worked together to make this "homecoming" possible.

And there is more!! There are two more Centennial Sundays on the calendar. On October 18 Pastor Paul Buettner will return to serve as homilist. On that Sunday and the Sunday preceding we will be singing the liturgy Pastor Buettner wrote which Martin Luther used in the '90's into the 2000's. On March 17, 2019 (Martin Luther's 101st anniversary) Pastor Reginald Mortha will return as homilist. On that Sunday and the Sundays preceding we will be singing the liturgy from the Service Book and Hymnal ("the old red book") which Martin Luther used in the '60's and '70's. Please be sure these dates are on your calendar.

MARTIN LUTHER CHURCH CELEBRATED 100 YEARS OF MINISTRY ON MAY 20 OF THIS YEAR.

SOME FUN FACTS .. CONT.....

1993 - 75 years after MLC became a church

Average income	\$31,230
Average cost of new house	\$113,200
Average monthly rent	\$532.00
Average new car price	\$12,750
Gallon of gas	\$1.16
Movie ticket cost	\$4.14
Loaf of bread	\$1.57

President was Bill Clinton

Ty Warner USA launches the first Beanie Babies

NASA's STS-57 Space Mission is successfully completed during June and July.

THANK YOU – To everyone who participated in the purchasing of the Red Geraniums in honor of Pentecost and our 100th Anniversary

Celebration. All the plants purchased were used to decorate the outside of our church. A special thank you to Joe Azzaretto for planting the flowers, especially the geranium flower cross design on New England (did you notice?). It is much appreciated.



A FATHER'S DAY POEM

A Father is:

There in every moment, see his love and care, strength and hand to count on, freely he does share. Provider, toil so faithfully, to make our dreams come true, Give strong and tender discipline, Though it is hard to do, A Father is God's chosen one, to lead the family, and point to His will for life of love and harmony...

Sue Kleen

MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU SAFE IN HIS ARMS

A Note from Pastor Joanne – The After Party
¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Acts 2

Wasn't the centennial celebration wonderful? It was so nice to see so many people there. And I'm wondering what we can do next for the next hundred years. What does that mean for Martin Luther Church. How can we set ourselves apart from other congregations in the area? What does the celebration mean for us? Can we do something that's meaningful and sets us apart from the others? What do you think? I would like us to make our mark in the community and I'm thinking maybe we can do it with a mission that's in the neighborhood and that would be helpful for others. I have been looking into Refugee One, but at the moment there are very little refugees coming in because of government policies. So I thought maybe since WELCA started with Trail Mix bags we can as a congregation, collect hygiene kits for the Night Ministry. This Mission is a perfect way for us to do "God's Work, Our Hands" on Rally Day. So what I'm asking us to do is to collect sample items like things that you would get from hotels or things that you're given at different venues you might attend. Then we will put the items in gallon bags and send them off to the Night Ministry so they can distribute them to the folks that need it. We will do this from June 1st – September 3rd.

Don't have any idea about the Night Ministry? Let me tell you. The Night Ministry is a Chicago-based organization that works to provide housing, health care and human connection to members of our community struggling with poverty or homelessness, especially to young adults who have runaway because they feel unwanted at home. Every day they offer a lifeline to forgotten members of our community. They serve everyone without concern for race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or gender identity. Through The Night Ministry's Health Outreach Bus, Street Medicine Team, Youth Housing, and Youth Outreach Van, each year they provide services to more than 5,300 young people and adults who have nowhere else to go. With an open heart and an open mind, they accept people as they are and work to address their immediate physical, emotional, and social needs while affirming their sense of humanity.

Let's show them that we care. Thanks be to God.

Pastor Joanne Fitzgerald

Prayer Request

Members of the congregation who are in nursing, retirement facilities, or homebound:

Cindy Rudolph
Patricia Neubert
Agnes Radzajewski
Doris Kemreit
Hella Rollinger
Margaret Wagner
Doris Ove

Also include:

Lovie Kustak (friend of Jan Vlcek) prayers for improved health
Carol Sangha, thanking God for parents especially for Mummy (Minni)
Ruth Pfursich, prayers for healing
Patricia Ruttkay, prayers for healing
Barb Winter, prayers for healing
Lillian Sangha, Thank you so much for keeping me in your prayers. I love you all and am very grateful for all of you
Karen-Jo Roll (niece of Frank & Karen Bucaro), prayers for recovery after stroke
Joyce Nickiel (friend of Ron & Jan Vlcek), prayers for healing
Anne Walker and Joanne Walker, prayers for healing
Vern Stahl, prayers for healing
Frank Bucaro, prayers for healing
Maddie Malek (friend of Heidi Rivera), prayers for healing
Joe Brumtmyer, prayers for healing
Russ & Lorraine Schuessler, prayers for good health
Christine Storlie (niece of Patricia Ruttkay), prayers for comfort and improved health
Beverly Storz, prayers for healing
Ruth Mehnert (Anne Walker's niece), prayers for healing
Shirley Sangha, prayers for her future
Michael Keady (friend of Lorraine Schuessler), prayers for healing
Shirley Bristow (friend of Vern Stahl), prayers for healing
George Avent (friend of Loree Azzaretto), pray for healing

Randy Heinz and The Webb Family (friends of June Lyons), prayers for healing and strength
John Blaul, prayers for healing
Desiree Salpietro Gigl (Peggy Salpietro's granddaughter), prayers for healing
Carrie Keady (friend of Lorraine Schuessler), prayers for healing
Mary & Phil Hoenig (friends of Jan Vlcek)
Phyllis Pappas (friend of Loree Azzaretto), pray for healing
Janice Phillips (friend of Peggy Salpietro), prayers for peace
Jeff Kaplan, friend of Ron & Jan Vlcek
Barbara Blezien (Anne Walker's daughter), prayers for healing
Doris Moss (friend of Lorraine Schuessler), for healing
Carol Clair (Ruth Pfursich's daughter)
Patti Pallohusky (sister of Karen Bucaro)
Emery Grace Planz (great-great niece of Karen and Frank Bucaro)
Karen Bucaro, prayers of healing
Thomas Stephanides (John Blaul's friend)
Carl Storz (Lorraine Schuessler's brother)



If you wish to **ADD OR REMOVE** names, please so indicate and return to the church office.

Name _____
Need _____
Requested by: _____

Staff at Martin Luther

Pastor The Rev. Joanne Fitzgerald
 Office Administrator Monica Pesole
 Sexton Joe Azzaretto
 Music Director/Musician David Hildner

Church Council (3rd Sunday of the month)

Richard Pfursich
 Ron Vlcek
 Heidi Rivera
 Lori Azzaretto
 Patricia Ruttkay
 Peggy Salpietro
 Pastor Joanne Fitzgerald

Appointed by Church Council

Monica Pesole, Treasurer
 Ron Vlcek, Financial Secretary

Readers/Lectors

Members of Martin Luther

Ushers

John Blaul
 Vern Stahl
 Michael DeRobertis
 Guy Neubert
 Richard Pfursich

Counter

Anne Walker

Sunday Morning Bible Study - All Members of MLLC**Bible Bunch (Tuesdays at 9:30am)**

Pastor Joanne
 John Blaul
 Peggy Salpietro

(All are invited to attend)

Acolyte

John Blaul

Altar Guild

Loree Azzaretto

WELCA - All women of Martin Luther Church**Stewardship Committee**

Guy & Lisa Neubert
 Ron & Jan Vlcek
 Pat Ruttkay
 Peggy Salpietro
 Pastor Joanne

Choir Members**(Practice Sundays at 9:00am)**

Pastor Joanne
 Guy Neubert
 Lisa Neubert
 Judy MacPherson Schumacher
 (Is your name here? Can we count on you as a member of the choir?). Are you interested in starting a handbell choir??

Worship and Music (usually 1st Sunday of the month)

John Schumacher, Chair
 David Hildner
 Pastor Joanne Fitzgerald
 You??

MLLC Mission Team

Who will join us??

Centennial Anniversary Team

John Schumacher
 Pastor Joanne
 Jan Vlcek
 Lisa Neubert
 David Hildner
 Karen Bucaro





June



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 7:00 pm Friends of Bill W.	2 10 am Bread Making
3 2 nd Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Fellowship Time/Bake Sale	4	5 10:00 am Bible Bunch at Montclare Residence	6	7	8 7:00 pm Friends of Bill W. Synod Assembly in Tinley Park	9 Synod Assembly in Tinley Park
10 3 rd Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Fellowship Time/Adult Bible Study	11	12 9:30 am Bible Bunch	13 12 noon W/ELCA Mtg.	14	15 7:00 pm Friends of Bill W.	16
17 4 th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Fellowship Time/Church Council 	18	19 9:30 am Bible Bunch	20	21	22 7:00 pm Friends of Bill W.	23
24 5 th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 am Worship/Adult Bible Study	25	26 9:30 am Bible Bunch	27	28	29 7:00 pm Friends of Bill W.	30

BLAST FROM THE PAST!!!

In honor of our year long Centennial Celebration, we have dug up some interesting things!
How many do you recognize?

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"LIFE'S RECIPE"

1 c. of good thoughts	2 c. of sacrifice for others
1 lb. of kind deeds	3 c. of forgiveness
1 c. of consideration for others	2 c. of well-beaten faults

Mix these thoroughly. Add tears of joy and sorrow, and sympathy for others. Fold in 4 cups of prayers and faith to lighten other ingredients and raise the texture to a great height of Christian living. After pouring all this into your daily life, bake well with the heat of human kindness. Serve with a smile.

This is a recipe that never fails and the ingredients are always at hand.

Susan Lehrmann



Volunteers play a vital role in the mission of the night ministry, from providing hospitality and building supportive relationships with young people, to collecting hygiene kits and sorting in-kind gifts. By volunteering, you can make a difference in the lives of the young people and adults who turn to them when there is nowhere else to go.

We at Martin Luther Church want to help them by providing hygiene kits. There kits are distributed throughout their programs. We need to collect travel or sample sizes and then pack them into gallon size reusable bags on September 9th. Beginning June 1st, thru September 2nd we will be collecting these items in the blue box in the narthex.

Needed are:

- Shampoo and Conditioner**
- Comb**
- Soap**
- Body Lotion**
- Toothbrush and Toothpaste**
- Deodorant**
- Mouthwash**
- Lip balm or Chapstick**
- Comb/Brush**
- Disposable Razor**
- Shaving Cream**
- Washcloth**
- Moist towelettes**

Remember these are all sample or travel sizes. Please start collecting today. What a way to give back to the community!

Thank you for your help in this valuable ministry